

OREGON SAFE SCHOOLS AND
COMMUNITIES COALITION PRESENTS ITS

**6TH ANNUAL
OREGON SAFE SCHOOLS
TRAINING**

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November 2 & 3, 2007
Bend's Community Center, Bend

Come and learn strategies

for educating communities about
lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender
and questioning LGBTQ issues by:

- ✍ increasing your knowledge about
LGBTQ issues and resources.
- ✍ identifying effective ways for youth
adults to work together.
- ✍ networking with teams from other
Oregon communities.
- ✍ developing a project to address the
health and safety needs of LGBTQ
youth.

www.oregonsafeschools.org or info@oregonsafeschools.org

WHAT IS THIS CONFERENCE?

At this two-day training, you will learn about how to make your school and community a safer place for gay, straight, bisexual, lesbian, and trans people and their allies. The goal is to inspire you with new ideas and connect you with the resources you need to make a difference in your school.

Whether you want to start a new GLBTQ group at your school, get new ideas and support for your GSA (Gay Straight Alliance), or develop a specific project, the Safe Schools Training is the place for you.

WHO SHOULD COME?

You and your team! Your group should have 3 to 5 people and must include students and adults. All groups are encouraged to apply, especially younger students, students of color, trans teens, and students in small towns and rural areas.

WHY WOULD I ATTEND?

If you want to make a difference in your school or community, the Conference will give many ideas and support for how to start a project.

Plus, any group that submits a report on the progress of its project is eligible to receive a \$150 award!

WHAT'S THE COST?

The cost of the training is \$50 for your entire team to participate. This low cost is possible because of a grant from the Equity Foundation. Because past trainings have been so successful, they are delighted that we want to do it again!

WHAT DOES THE OSSCC DO?

The OSSCC is part of the statewide effort to reduce harassment and increase safety in schools and communities. This goal is a part of *The Oregon Plan for Youth Suicide Prevention: A Call to Action*. For more information about the statewide youth suicide prevention plan, please visit www.ohd.hr.state.or.us/ipe/suicide.htm.

Because LGBTQ youth often feel invisible, they can be at a higher risk for discrimination, harassment, and even suicide because of negative attitudes in many communities. We want to work with you to make sure all schools are safe for all students.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

To download the application or to find more information, call 503.232.4556 or visit www.oregonsafeschools.org.

**Thank you for your concern and the work you do
on behalf of LGBTQ youth!**

THE COALITION ALSO NEEDS YOUR HELP! SPREAD THE WORD!
Let people know about the Conference and other activities in your area.

APPLICATION

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All groups are encouraged to apply, especially younger students, students of color, trans teens, and students in small towns and rural areas. Limited scholarships are available for mileage.

Don't be late! Please postmark your application by October 5 and send to:

**OSSCC
PO Box 80604
Portland, Oregon 97280**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Your Team should include three-to-five people with at least one adult and one youth. We will contact you after we receive your application. To apply:

- ✓ Type or write your name in the space below
- ✓ Each applicant should sign own name. By signing your name, you agree to:
 - Attend the conference, or find a replacement if you can't make it
 - When you're at the conference, your team will create a project that addresses the health and safety needs of LGBTQ youth
 - Put your team's project into action before May 1, 2008.
 - Stay in contact with the OSSCC during the school year for support and evaluation of your project's progress.

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Contact: _____ School/Agency: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____

If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Liljeholm at 503.232.4556 or info @oregonsafeschools.org